1	2	3
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	NR
10.	Jharkhand*	9
11.	Karnataka	1811
12.	Kerala	253
13.	Madhya Pradesh	2893
14.	Maharashtra	315
15.	Manipur	NR
16.	Orissa	29458
17.	Punjab	137
18.	Rajasthan	707
19.	Tamil Nadu	5577
20.	Tripura	NR
21.	Uttar Pradesh	NR
22.	Uttaranchal*	486
23.	West Bengal	NR
	TOTAL:	78503

Merger of various rural development schemes

1875. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: .

(a) Whether there is any proposal with Government to merge various rural development programmes;

*Newly created State during 2000-2001.

NR—Not Reported.

(b) what are the advantages of the merger; and

(c) how does Government ensure co-ordination between the Central and State schemes?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU): (a)Yes, Sir.

(b) The merger of Rural Development Programmes would facilitate in consolidation of programme activities and channelisation of funds in a more focussed manner at the planning and implementation stages.

(c) Co-ordination between Central and State schemes is done during plan discussions in the Planning Commission, and by way of Annual Performance Review.

Villages in Bihar connected with roads under PMGSY

†1876. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages connected with road under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in Bihar;

(b) the number of villages targeted to be connected during 2002-2003; and

(c) the names of villages likely to be connected under the scheme in the District of Muzaffarpur.

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.